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(b) Provide information to the public on the petition procedures necessary to have an area designated as unsuitable for all or certain types of surface coal mining operations or to have designations terminated and describe how the inventory and data base system can be used.

§ 764.25 Regulatory authority responsibility for implementation.

(a) The regulatory authority shall not issue permits which are inconsistent with designations made pursuant to part 761, 762, or 764 of this chapter.

(b) The regulatory authority shall maintain a map or other unified and cumulative record of areas designated unsuitable for all or certain types of surface coal mining operations.

(c) The regulatory authority shall make available to any person any information within its control regarding designations, including mineral or elemental content which is potentially toxic in the environment but excepting proprietary information on the chemical and physical properties of the coal.

PART 769—PETITION PROCESS FOR DESIGNATION OF FEDERAL LANDS AS UNSUITABLE FOR ALL OR CERTAIN TYPES OF SURFACE COAL MINING OPERATIONS AND FOR TERMINATION OF PREVIOUS DESIGNATIONS

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§ 769.1 Scope.

This part establishes minimum procedures and standards for designating

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Federal lands as unsuitable for all or certain types of surface coal mining operations and for terminating designations pursuant to petition.

§ 769.10 Information collection.

The information collection requirements in this part do not require approval of the Office of Management and Budget under 44 U.S.C. 3507 because there are fewer than 10 respondents annually.

§ 769.11 Who may submit a petition.

Any person having an interest which is or may be adversely affected by surface coal mining operations to be conducted on Federal lands may petition the Secretary to have an area designated as unsuitable for all or certain types of surface coal mining operations, or to have an existing designation terminated. This right does not apply to areas set aside from surface coal mining operations under laws other than the Act. For the purpose of this section, a person having an interest which is or may be adversely affected must demonstrate how he or she meets an "injury in fact" test by describing the injury to his or her specific affected interests and demonstrate how he or she is among the injured.

§ 769.12 Where to submit petitions.

Each petition to have an area of Federal lands designated as unsuitable or to terminate an existing designation shall be submitted to the Director of the OSM Field Office responsible for that area where the Federal lands are located.

§ 769.13 Contents of petitions.

(a) *Designation.* The only information that a petitioner need provide to designate lands is that required under § 764.13(b) of this chapter.

(b) *Termination.* The only information that a petitioner need provide to terminate a designation is that required by § 764.13(c) of this chapter.

§ 769.14 Initial processing, recordkeeping, and notification requirements.

(a)(1) Within 30 days of receipt of a petition, OSMRE shall determine